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FOLLOWING IS TEXT OF APRIL 26 TELEX FROM ECAC:

DEAR MR. ATWOOD:

THE EUROPEAN CIVIL AVIATION CONFERENCE
(ECAC) HAS EXAMINED THE NOTICE OF PROPOSED RULEMAKING
(EDR-348,SPDR-64) TO LIBERALIZE CHARTER RULES,
CONTAINED IN DOCKET 32242 OF 14 MARCH 1978, AND HAS CON-
SIDERED THE FURTHER EXPLANATIONS SUPPLIED BY THE
UNITED STATES REPRESENTATIVES DURING THE TRIPARTITE
CHARTER TALKS IN WASHINGTON ON 15 AND 16 MARCH 1978.
IT HAS ALSO NOTED WITH CONCERN AND REGRET THE MOST
RECENT EMERGENCY ACTION TAKEN BY THE CAB ON 20 APRIL.

ECAC WISHES TO REITERATE THE COMMENTS IT HAS MADE
IN PAST CHARTER LIBERALIZATION PROCEEDINGS AND, IN
PARTICULAR, IN THE LAST ONE (DOCKET 31520). IT DOES
SO ALL THE MORE STRONGLY AS, IN ITS VIEW AND CONTRARY
TO THE ARGUMENTS PUT FORWARD ON PAGE 9 OF THE
DOCKET,THE PRESENT PROPOSALS WOULD REMOVE ALL
PRACTICAL DISTINCTION BETWEEN SCHEDULED AND CHARTER
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SERVICES. AS FAR AS THE NORTH ATLANTIC IS CONCERNED,
SUCH PROPOSALS ARE DEVOID OF ECONOMIC JUSTIFICATION
AND TOTALLY DISREGARD THE MEDIUM-AND LONG- TERM
CONSEQUENCES, FOR THE WHOLE INDUSTRY AND FOR THE
PUBLIC, OF THE ESCALATION OF THE RATE WAR WHICH
WOULD INEVITABLY ENSUE BETWEEN SCHEDULED AND CHARTER
SERVICES. THIS MIGHT IN THE SHORT TERM APPEAR TO

BENEFIT CONSUMERS BUT IT MAY ALSO LEAD TO A SITUATION
WHERE SOME AIRLINES FAIL, WHERE OTHERS HAVE TO BE
SUBSIDIZED, WHERE CHOICE FOR THE CONSUMER IS
REDUCED AND WHERE THE AIRLINES GENERALLY WOULD BE
FORCED TO RAISE FARES SUBSTANTIALY TO RECOUP FORMER
LOSSES.

YOURS SINCERELY, HANS RABEN, PRESIDENT OF ECAC.
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